

State Senator TORY ROCCA R-10th Senate District

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Committees: Regulatory Reform (Chair); Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (Vice Chair);

Banking and Financial Institutions; Judiciary; Local Government; Legislative Council

Biography: Republican, of Sterling Heights; attended the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor,

where he worked his way through college as a laboratory technician specializing in DNA sequencing. In 1995, Tory graduated with distinction from the University of Michigan's School of Business Administration, earned his juris doctor degree in 1999, University of Michigan Law School. Laboratory technician, Johnson Controls; law experience includes the areas of business law, premises liability defense, and product liability defense. Elected State Representative in 2004. Because of his background and expertise in business and law, Tory Rocca was the only freshman representative to be appointed chairman of a standing policy committee in the Michigan House of Representatives during the 93rd Legislature. Elected to the House of Representatives, 2004, 2006, 2008; elected to the State Senate, 2010 and



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Committees: Commerce (Chair); Economic Development and International Investment (Vice

Chair); Agriculture; Insurance; Outdoor Recreation and Tourism; Legislative Council

Biography: Republican, of Traverse City; born October 6, 1966, in Cleveland, Ohio, and life-

long resident of Traverse City, MI; spouse, Kathleen; children, Danny and Ryan; majored in economics and public policy, University of Chicago; graduate of Michigan State University Political Leadership Program; general manager, Captain's Quarters, men's clothing business in Traverse City; member, Grand Traverse County Economic Development Corporation and Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, Traverse City Area Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee, Bay Area Transit Authority, Michigan Association of Counties Human Services Committee (chair), Grand Traverse County Land Use and Transportation Study Group - Grand Vision, Grand Traverse County Republican Party (vice chair and membership chair), Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Northwest Michigan, National Cherry Festival, Trout Unlimited, Economic Club of Traverse City, Kiwanis Noon Club, Boardman Neighborhood Association, Great Lakes Community Mental Health Authority (vice chair), Traverse City Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman, Downtown Traverse City Association; elected five times to Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners; elected to the House of Representatives, 2008, 2010,

2012; elected to the State Senate, 2014.

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